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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Noda et al.

Application No.: 09/663,923

Filed: September 18, 2000

For: NETWORK INTERFACE APPARATUS FOR  
CONTROLLING THE SIZE, COUPLING OR  
TRANSFER RATE OF PACKETS ON THE  
BASIS OF AN IP NETWORK DELAY AND A  
METHOD THEREFOR

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2004 please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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